

**PATENT**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Carel J.L. Van Driel  
For : COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK USING  
DIFFERENT TRANSMISSION PROPERTIES  
Serial No.: 10/780,473  
Filed : February 17, 2004  
Art Unit : 2616  
Examiner : Raj K. Jain  
Att. Docket : PHN16-613A  
Confirmation No. : 1391

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a) TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**  
**BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Petition is submitted in response to the Decision on Petition mailed April 2, 2007. A copy of the Decision is attached as Exhibit E. The Decision is in response to an earlier Petition filed January 3, 2007. The earlier Petition was submitted in response to a Notice of Abandonment mailed on October 12, 2006. A copy of the Notice is attached as Exhibit A. According to the Notice, U.S.

Patent Application No. 10/780,473 was abandoned for failure to timely respond to the office letter of August 3, 2006, within the statutory period of six months from its mailing date.

Applicant respectfully submits that a response to the office letter was facsimile transmitted to the USPTO on September 5, 2006, with a Certificate of Transmission/Mailing. Please see Exhibit B attached herewith.

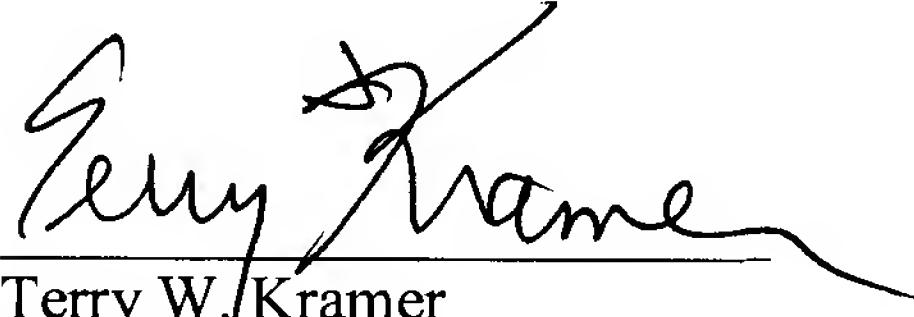
Enclosed herewith is a Declaration executed by Moira Anderson regarding the same. Please see Exhibit C. This Declaration establishes that Ms. Anderson has personal knowledge of the transmission in question.

Applicant further submits that an acknowledgement of Applicant's response, as facsimile transmitted to the USPTO, was received by Applicant's representative. According to the USPTO Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission, Applicant's response was received on September 5, 2006. Please see Exhibit D attached herewith.

A diligent and sincere effort is made to clearly set out the facts and circumstances surrounding this matter. It is firmly believed that a sufficient showing is made for an immediate allowance of this Petition, as all elements of 37 C.F.R. §1.8(b) have been satisfied in full. Further, the issues raised in the Decision on Petition mailed April 2, 2007, have been fully addressed herein. It is respectfully requested that the response that was facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 5, 2006, be considered timely received, entered into the record, and the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn.

It is believed that no fee is due with this Petition. Commissioner however is authorized to charge any fees, if applicable, associated with the application to deposit account number 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Enclosures

Exhibit A: Copy of the Notice of Abandonment mailed October 12, 2006  
Exhibit B: Copy of Applicant's response facsimile transmitted to the USPTO on September 5, 2006  
Exhibit C: Declaration of Moira Anderson  
Exhibit D: Copy of the acknowledged receipt of Applicant's response according to the USPTO Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission  
Exhibit E: Decision on Petition mailed April 2, 2007

# **EXHIBIT A**



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BRIARCLIFF MANOR, NY 10510				PAPER NUMBER
				2616

DATE MAILED: 10/12/2006

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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**Notice of Abandonment**

Application No.	Applicant(s)
10/780,473	VAN DRIEL, CAREL J.L.
Examiner	Art Unit
Raj K. Jain	2616

*-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--*

This application is abandoned in view of:

1.  Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 03 August 2006.
  - (a)  A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b)  A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.  
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
  - (c)  A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
  - (d)  No reply has been received.
2.  Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (a)  The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (b)  The submitted fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$\_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c)  The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3.  Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
  - (a)  Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
  - (b)  No corrected drawings have been received.
4.  The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
5.  The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6.  The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7.  The reason(s) below:

  
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SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER  
10/10/06

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

## **EXHIBIT B**

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